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feet high. He is an
of Danish blood,
of ancestry. Although
not yet attained full
only a pup.—*Pha*

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Salem, N. C., Jan. 6, 1887.

—We present the Governor's message entire in supplement.

—Secretary Lamar was married on the 5th inst., to Mrs. Holt, of Macon, Ga.

—The public debt statement shows a reduction during the month of December of a little over \$8,000,000.

—J. A. Gray has been elected President of the Greensboro National Bank, in place of Jesse H. Lindsay, deceased.

—A bill has passed the U. S. Senate for the erection of a U. S. public building in Wilmington, not to exceed in cost \$150,000.

—The Canadian Knights of Labor who are Roman Catholics are said to be leaving the order. The Church not approving of the order.

—On January 4th, there was a collision of trains near Tiffin, Ohio, cars telescoped and about 20 passengers crushed and burned to death.

—Another great light of the Grant regime goes out in the death of John Roach, the naval contractor. His malady was like that which put an end to Grant.

HARPER'S WEEKLY.—A series of Southern sketches will appear as 4 page supplements to Harper's Weekly, beginning Jan. 12th, and there after every two weeks throughout the year.

LONDON, Jan. 8.—A terrible snow storm has prevailed throughout the midland counties in England. Much loss of life is feared. The highways and railways are impassable in many places and mails are blocked.

—Maj. Gen. W. W. Loring, of the Confederate Army, who served for some time in the Egyptian Army, died in New York on 30th ult., aged 70 years. He was a native of Wilmington, N. C.

—Hon. James W. Reid has tendered his resignation as member of Congress from this district. Financial troubles probably induced Mr. Reid to take this step. He had not been in his seat this session of Congress. His liabilities are said to be about \$35,000 with assets comparatively small.

CHICAGO, Jan. 7.—The mercury fell steadily in this city until four o'clock this morning, when the thermometer registered 14 degrees below zero, and at 6 o'clock had risen to 10 degrees below zero. It has since remained stationary, and according to the Signal Service report will probably continue to do so for the next 24 hours. At St. Paul the thermometer stood 32 degrees below zero, while the extreme Northern Minnesota and Canadian stations, had not sent in reports. At Davenport, Iowa, the thermometer registered 20 degrees below.

Farmer's Convention.

At the December meeting of the Board of Agriculture, the night of the 18th of January, 1887, was fixed for a meeting to be set apart for the discussion of topics appertaining to the material interest of the State. This appointment is made in obedience to section 2 of the Act "establishing a department of Agriculture, Immigration and Statistics," &c. The object is for the benefit of the farmers of the State, and a large attendance is respectfully solicited.

A reduced schedule of rates for those attending the conference has been secured, which renders it possible for all interested farmers to attend with very little cost. Rates from Winston-Salem and return, \$3.50; Kernersville and return, \$3.25. Every farmer who is interested should attend and have the benefit of the discussion between the leading agriculturists of the State.

—Thomas Stevens, the bicyclist, who is going around the world, and for whose safety grave apprehensions have been felt, has turned up in Japan. He was stoned by the natives at one point in the interior of China barely escaping with his life, and at another point attacked by a mob of people who broke his bicycle and would have killed him for some soldiers who rescued him from their fury. He is now making his best time homeward on a steamer bound for San Francisco.

—**Peterson's Magazine** for February is a very brilliant number, with a fine steel engraving, "On Guard," that, we predict, will be popular with everybody. The fashion plates are beautiful and the tales well written and interesting. "Peterson's" seems to be always on the lookout for the new writers of mark. Hence, we are not surprised that its large circulation. The wonder is that it is not even larger. Every family of refinement, we should think, would have this magazine on its table. The price, real merit considered, is astonishingly low—only Two Dollars a year—with great reductions to clubs. Address CHARLES J. PETERSON, 306 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

—There is a revolt in ten States against the Knights of Labor. A loud call is to be sent to Powderly by the various District Assemblies from Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Texas, Missouri, Colorado, New Jersey, Connecticut, Pennsylvania and New York asking for a special session of the General Assembly of the Knights of Labor. —*W. L. Star,*

THE LEGISLATURE.

The Senate met on the 5th inst., and elected Robert M. Furman, editor of the Asheville Citizen, principal clerk, and W. V. Clifton, of Wake, doorkeeper.

In the House of Representatives notice was given to contest the election of Democratic members from Craven, Franklin and Wilson. J. R. Webster, independent Democrat, of Rockingham, was elected Speaker by two votes—Webster receiving 59 votes and Overman, of Rowan, 57, on first ballot. Messrs. John D. Cameron and J. M. Bulla, Republican, receiving 60 votes, and Cameron, Democrat, 58 votes.

On the 6th, David B. Nicholson, of Sampson, was unanimously elected reading clerk, John W. Gudger, was elected enrolling clerk over J. M. Alexander, by 36 to 11 votes. A. M. Nobles, of Johnston county, was chosen assistant doorkeeper over Ruffin Cheek, of Orange, by 41 to 3. Bills were introduced to prohibit the hiring out of convicts in certain cases; to regulate the challenge of jurors in special cases; to amend the laws of 1885 relative to the registration of deeds.

In the House, W. G. Burkhead, of Durham, was elected reading clerk, receiving all the votes but 2. W. H. Davis was elected enrolling clerk, D. R. Julian, of Rowan, was elected doorkeeper, and Mr. Reitzel, of Catawba, assistant doorkeeper.

A resolution empowering the Governor to offer a reward of \$1,000 for the apprehension of Bingham, the murderer of Miss Turlington, was introduced, but the House refused to pass it. [Under the law \$400 is the highest reward the Governor is authorized to offer in such cases.]

A resolution was introduced authorizing our representatives in Congress to vote for the Blair bill.

January 7th, 1887 — SENATE — The following bills were introduced: Bill to amend section 5, article 6 of the constitution. [This section of the constitution relates to disqualification for office, which includes all persons who deny the existence of Almighty God, or who shall have been convicted of treason, perjury, or of any other infamous crime since becoming citizens of the United States, or of corruption, or malpractice in office, unless such person shall have been legally restored to the rights of citizenship.]

A number of bills were introduced relating to roads. Against Judge receiving free passes on railroads. Instructing our representatives to vote for the Blair bill. Exempting new industries from taxation for 5 years, all referred to committees.

The following committees were announced, among others: Judiciary—Messrs. Adams, Warren, Pemberton, Clark, Fitch, Pugh, Webb, Williams, of Davidson, Ellis, Kerr, Turner, Shober, Cook, Winston and Lickley.

Finance—Messrs. Thorpe, Pemberton, Sevenson, Tull, Spruill, Lillington and Morrow.

House—Mr. Pearson introduced a bill relating to the Blair bill. Bill to repeal present County government system by Mr. Pinnix. Bill to amend Supreme Court Judges to five. Also bills prohibiting the importation of deadly weapons; for the better protection of mechanics. Jan. 8.—SENATE—Numerous local bills were introduced among them one to confirm the consolidation of the Rutherford, Marion and Tennessee Railway Company and Rutherford Railway Company. Another bill with the Cincinnati and Chicago Railway Company, one to disperse with the second term of Alexander county Superior court, and one to extend, until next March, the time for the settlement of taxes.

House—The House session was as interesting as usual. Bills were introduced to repeal the stock law in Halifax, Warren and Edgecombe counties, making 10 hours a legal day's labor; to define justifiable homicide; to provide a prosecuting attorney for each county in the State; to amend the law regulating the admission of Attorneys from other States to practice in this State.

Among the most important committees appointed we notice: Finance—Messrs. Holt, Peckard, Bennett, White, of Perquimans, Pinnix, Sutherland, Fries, Morgan, Stansell, Crisp, McClure, Wells, Lane, York, Allman, Mangum, Temple, Hallman and Kell.

Education—Messrs. Leazer, Daughton, White, of Perquimans, McMillan, Turner, Allman, Horner, Fries, Paschall, Pinnix, Bingham, Stansell, Overman, Osborne, Williamson, Watson, Hyde and Webster.

At noon the House and Senate went into a joint election of Enrolling Clerk. Pearson apologized for the part he had taken in preventing the joint session yesterday. J. M. Brown of Stanley county was elected enrolling clerk. Mr. White's resolution, instructing our representatives to work and vote for the Blair bill was passed 104 to 5.

Sutton, of Cumberland denounced Pearson's resolution on the same subject simply a campaign document, in the shape of an attack upon the Democratic party for its alleged failure to pass the Blair bill. Overman, Holt and Leazer also attacked Pearson, who afterwards took the floor and made a savage attack upon the Democrats in Congress. Overman made a withering response, telling Pearson he was a traitor and a Republican.

Jan. 10.—SENATE—A bill reducing personal exemptions of property to \$200; homestead to 300 was introduced prohibiting the employment of children under 15 in workshops and factories; giving Mayors and Justices of the Peace power to remit fines, in certain cases; repealing law creating County Boards of Education. Mr. Alexander's resolution, directing the Governor from ordering an election in the 5th Congressional district, passed. The following committees were announced: on Education, Clark; Public Relations, Saunders; Chairman; Federal Relations, Shober, Chairman. The following bills were passed: To establish a Committee for the consideration of sleep husbandry, and authorizing the Secretary of State to furnish members with colonial records of the State.

HOUSE — Resolutions introduced asking the influence of members of Congress for the repeal of internal revenue laws. Committee of five to look into the affairs of Agricultural Department. Mr. York introduced, a resolution for the better protection of our industries, read and made the special order for to-day, Thursday. It favors a protective tariff. Joint select committee on all questions relating to railroad commission. Holt. Unanimously adopted. Committee relating to code amendments, Mills. Committee in regard to general bankrupt laws. Pearson, bill amending code in regard to mortgages, Watts bill to repeal last legislature's appropriation to University; Shaw, bill to extend time for registering of deeds. Overman, bill to change name of Third Creek, Rowan, to be Cleveland. Lindsey, bill prohibiting Justices of the Peace holding more than one office. Ewart, bill to create a state railway commission. Sutton, bill to change the time of holding the Supreme Court from 1st Monday in October to the last week in Sept. House concurred in Senate bill relating to the vacancy in 5th Congressional District, ordering no election. Mr. Pinnix moved that his bill with regard to the repeal of the county government be ordered printed and made the special order for Friday next, at noon. Next Tuesday a week in the day order. Mr. Overman regarded his remarks on Saturday to Mr. Pearson were perhaps unparliamentary and in any personal sense he retracted them.

The speaker announced the following committees: Counties cities and towns, Wells, chairman; Claims, Brogden, chairman; Deaf dumb and blind, Lindsey, chairman; Banks and currency, Holt, chairman; Insane Asylums, Saunders, chairman; Agriculture, Fries, chairman; Penitentiaries, Peckard, chairman.

Report of the Superintendent of Public Schools, and Recommendations. To show the progress which has been made in his department, Superintendent of Public Instruction Finger in his biennial report presents a comparative summary of statistics for the year 1884, 1885 and 1886. This shows that there was an increase in the receipts from ordinary taxation in 1885 amounting to \$51,693.32, and that there was a corresponding increase in the length of school terms. In 1886 there was also an increase in receipts over those of 1885 amounting to \$38,707.41. This increase has been attained, he it noted, without any increase in the rate of taxation. It is due in part to special levies in some counties, Major Finger says, and in part to the careful attention of county officers to the enforcement of the law. It is due also, we opine, in no small degree to the efficient supervision given by Major Finger to the matters in his care, particularly in view of the fact that the census enrollment and average attendance have increased in very nearly the same proportion as the receipts. Out of 530,127 children between the age of six and 21, 298,166 attended the public schools in 1885. Out of 57,398 children between the same ages 305,595 attended the public schools in 1886. Seventy-eight county superintendents reported the private schools in their counties, of eight months' duration or more, showing an enrollment of 25,110 and estimating for the other 18 counties, the superintendent concludes that there were about 30,000 pupils in private schools last year.

"One of the lamentable conditions," Maj. Finger observes, "is that so many of the poorest people do not avail themselves of the facilities afforded them."

"If influential men in the respective neighborhoods," he continues "would encourage such people, by advice and otherwise, many could be induced to send their children to school."

We trust patriotism will lead the influential men of the State to see their neglect in this matter, and exert themselves to the comparatively slight extent that is necessary to bring every person up to an appreciation of the importance of public instruction.

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THE WAR SERIES. which has been followed with unflinching interest by a great audience, will occupy less space during the coming year. Gettysburg will be described by Gen. Hunt (Chief of the Union Artillery), General Langstreet, General E. M. Law, and others; Chickamauga, by General D. H. Hill; Sherman's March to the Sea, by Generals Howard and Sherman; Generals Q. A. Gillmore, Wm. F. Smith, John Gibbon, Horace Porter, and John S. Mosby will describe special battles and incidents; stories of naval engagements, prison life, etc., etc., will appear.

NOVELS AND STORIES. "The Hundredth Man," a novel by Frank R. Stockton, author of "The Lady, or the Tiger?" etc., etc., begins in November, and will be followed by George W. Cable, stories by Mary Halleck Foote, "Uncle Remus," Julian Hawthorne, Edgar Allan Poe, and other prominent American authors will be printed during the year.

SPECIAL FEATURES (with illustrations) include a series of articles on affairs in Russia, by one of the Russian Kuman, author of "Tent Life in Siberia," who has just returned from the United States; a series of articles on the Food Question, with reference to its bearing on the Labor Problem; England, by Dr. C. N. Brown, Secretary of the Life in the American Colonies; Men and Women of Queen Anne's Reign, by Mrs. Dilphiant; Croquet, Squash, and other modern sports, by Dr. J. M. Buckley, D. D., editor of the Christian Advocate; astrological and occult articles throwing light on Bible history.

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The Serial Stories include "Juan and Juanita," an admirably written story of Mexican life, by Francis Courtenay Taylor, author of "On Both Sides"; also, "Jenny's Boarding House," by James Otis, a story of life in a great city.

Short Articles, instructive and entertaining, will abound. Among these are "Honey and Glycerine," by E. S. Theodore, R. Davis, with profuse illustrations; "Winning a Commission," (Naval Academy), and "Recollections of the Naval Academy," by "Boring for the Great Gun," by E. S. Theodore, R. Davis, with profuse illustrations; "Winning a Commission," (Naval Academy), and "Recollections of the Naval Academy," by "Boring for the Great Gun," by E. S. Theodore, R. Davis, with profuse illustrations.

Sketches from George Eliot, by Julia Magruder; "Victor Hugo's Tales to his Grandchildren," recounted by Brander Matthews; "Huckleberry Finn," by E. S. Brooks. Also interesting contributions from Nora Perry, Harriet Prescott Spoford, Joaquin Miller, H. B. Boyesen, Washington Gladden, Alice C. Robinson, J. T. Trowbridge, Lieutenant Frederick Schwatka, Noah Brooks, Grace Denio Litchfield, Rose Hawthorne Lathrop, Mrs. S. M. R. Platt, Mary Mapes Dodge, and many others, etc.

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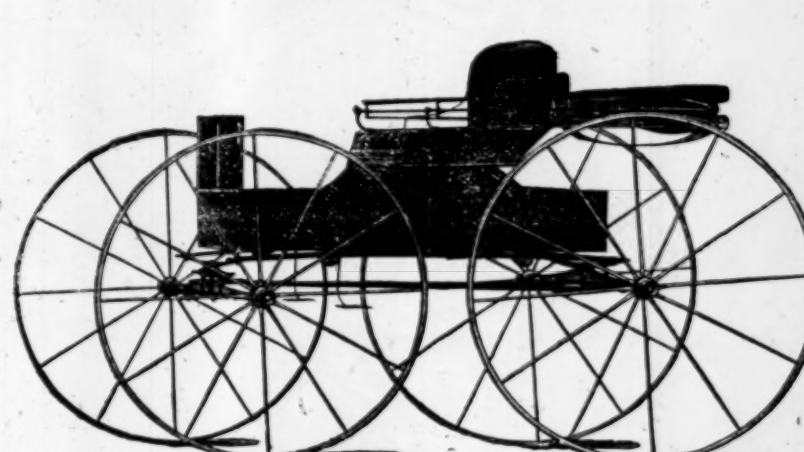
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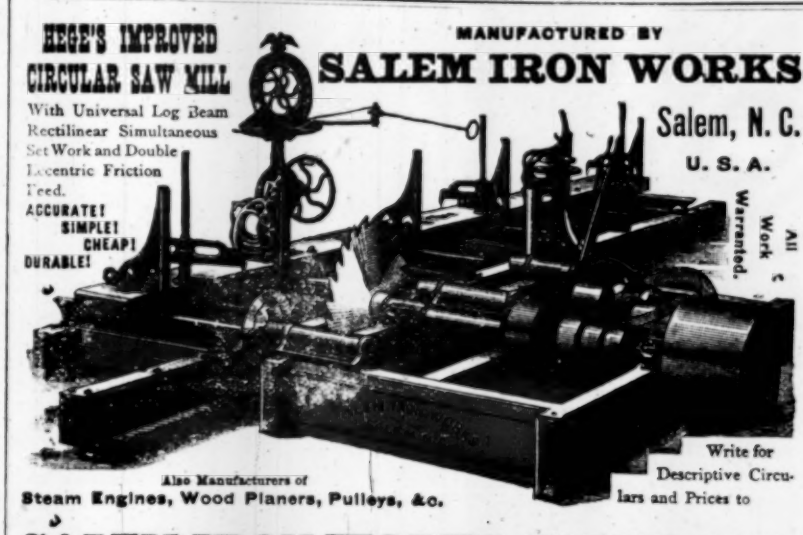
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